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BEGIN TEXT:

THE DANISH GOVERNMENT IS CONTINUING TO FOLLOW DEVELOPMENTS ON CYPRUS WITH THE GREATEST CONCERN AND ATTENTION. FROM THE DANISH SIDE WE HAVE CONTINUALLY SUPPORTED THE CYPRIOT STATE'S INDEPENDENCE AND THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF CYPRUS AND WE MUST THEREFORE FIRMLY OPPOSE ANY ATTACHE WITH FORCE AGAINST IT. FROM THE DANISH SIDE, WE HAVE PARTICIPATED FROM THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE CRISIS IN THE CONSULTATIONS WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE, PARTLY IN THE NATO COUNCIL, PARTLY AMONG THE NINE EC COUNTRIES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF EUROPEAN POLITICAL COOPERATION. WE HAVE THEREFORE ALSO GIVEN OUR WHOLEHEARTED SUPPORT TO THE APPEALS WHICH HAVE BEEN DIRECTED TO GREECE AND TURKEY TO DISPLAY RESPONSIBILITY AND RESTRAINT. FURTHERMORE, IN THE DISCUSSIONS AT NATO WE HAVE ASSOCIATED OURSELVES WITH THE GENERAL AND STRONG SUPPORT GIVEN THE VIEWPOINT, FIRST PUT FORWARD BY GREAT BRITIAN, THAT THE GREEK OFFICERS IN THE CYPRIOT NATIONAL GUARD SHOULD BE REPLACED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE COUP D'ETAT IN NICOSIA, AS WELL AS THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE NATIONAL GUARD OFFICERS TO THE GREEK ARMY, PLACE PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COURSE OF EVENTS IN CYPRUS ON THE GREEK GOVERNMENT.

FROM THE DANISH SIDE WE HAVE THEREFORE ALSO CONSIDERED IT PROPER TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPECIAL APPEAL TO GREECE TO RECOGNIZE ITS PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITY AND USE ITS UNIQUE POSSIBILITIES TO PREVENT A FURTHER ESCALATION OF THE CRISIS.

IT IS THE HOPE OF THE DANISH GOVERNMENT THAT THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT WILL MAINTAIN THE ALERT AND SOBER ATTITUDE WHICH IT HAS ADOPTED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE CRISIS.

FROM THE DANISH SIDE WE ASSOCIATE OURSELVES FURTHERMORE WITH THE HOPE THAT CONINUED CONSULTATIONS UNCLASSIFIED

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IN THE NATO COUNCIL AND THE EFFORTS WHICH ARE BEING TAKEN BILATERALLY AND MULTILATERALLY, NOT LEAST IN AND AROUND THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL, MIGHT LEAD TO A COOLING-OFF OF THE CRISIS AND THE RESTORATION OF DEMOCRATIC CONDITIONS IN CYPRUS. END TEXT
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